GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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INTERIM REPORT BY C.V.C. ON DEFENCE DEALS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Vigilance Commission probing into defence purchases, has submitted its interim report;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the time by which the report is likely to be submitted; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to bring about transparancy in the future defence deals?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (d): The Interim Report on the Investigation heldinto Defence Deals has been submitted by the Central Vigilance Commission on 7th August 2000. The observations/findings of the Commission, in this Report, are tentative and not final.

With a view to ensuring high levels of transparency in Defence procurements/purchases, Government has ordered scrutiny/review/ special audit by CVC and C&AG of all the procurements, madeb y the Ministry of Defence from April, 1989, onwards. The scrutiny/review are, currently, in progress. Government have issued orders, with the concurrence of the CVC/C&AG, for mandatory and time- bound scrutiny of all major procurements/purchase decisions, involving cost of above Rs. 75 crores by the C&AG and wherever necessary, by the CVC.